



FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED,  
THROUGH FAITH—AND THIS NOT FROM  
YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD.  
*EPH 2:8-9*

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**The Transfiguration of our Lord**



**We Have Seen His Glory**

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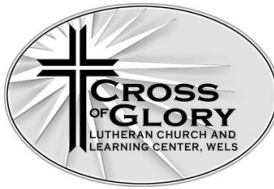
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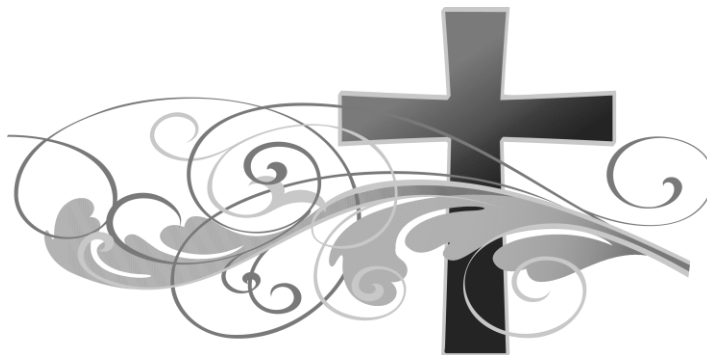
**Welcome!** We are glad you are here with us today. Our service today follows an order of worship which places the spotlight on God's Word and its central message of peace through Jesus. You can follow the outline of the service in this worship folder. The hymn numbers refer to the red hymnal: Christian Worship (CW) or the blue hymnal: Christian Worship Supplement (CWS).

**Restrooms:** The women's and men's restrooms are located in the Gathering Room (lobby) of the church. There are additional restrooms located in the Fellowship Hall.

**Cry Room:** We do not mind a fussy child or an instructing parent. But for parents who would like a quiet place to be with their child, we have a cry room with a one-way window into the sanctuary. The entrance is located in the Gathering Room. The worship audio can be heard in this room.

**Prayer Requests:** If you have a special prayer you would like included in today's Prayer of the Church, please fill out the prayer request form on the small table in the Gathering Room.

**Holy Communion:** We offer classes (Basic Bible Christianity) for those desiring to take the sacrament. If you are a newcomer, please take these classes before communing or speak with our pastor.



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# ORDER OF SERVICE: DIVINE SERVICE II

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**OPENING HYMN.....How Good Lord to Be Here (CW # 95)**

*STAND*

## **INVOCATION<sup>1</sup>**

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**

## **CONFESSION**

**M:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C:** **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, For sins of habit and sins of choice, For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, You should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

**M:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** **Amen.**



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<sup>1</sup> The name of the triune God and the sign of the cross remind worshippers of their baptisms.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY (*KYRIE*)<sup>2</sup>

**M:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer— cy.

**M:** For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer— cy.

**M:** For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer— cy.

**M:** Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

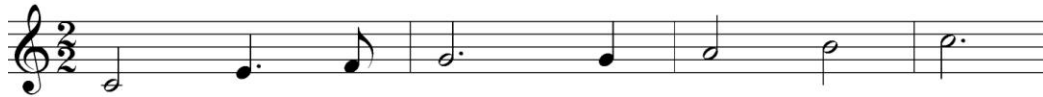


C: A— men.

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<sup>2</sup> *Kyrie* is the Greek word for *Lord*. The expression “Lord, have mercy” is one of the oldest worship responses in the Christian church.

## GLORY BE TO GOD (*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS*)<sup>3</sup>



1 All glo - ry be to God on high!  
2 Our grate - ful thanks to you we bring,  
3 O Lamb of God, to you we pray.  
4 You, Christ, are ho - ly— Lord a - lone;



Your name, O Lord, we glo - ri - fy;  
For your great glo - ry, heav'n - ly King,  
You take all hu - man sin a - way.  
The Fath - er's glo - ry you made known.



We praise you for your peace and grace,  
For all, O Fath - er, you have done  
Have mer - cy, Lord; re - ceive our prayer;  
We by your Spir - it sing a - gain:



Your fav - or toward our fal - len race.  
Through Je - sus Christ, your on - ly Son.  
From God's right hand, your mer - cy share.  
"All glo - ry be to God!" A - men.

<sup>3</sup> We praise God by proclaiming the great things he has done to accomplish our rescue from sin. "Glory to God in the Highest" has been a Christian song of worship since the fourth century.

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# THE WORD OF GOD

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## SALUTATION<sup>4</sup>

**M:** The Lord be with you.  
**C:** And also with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

**M:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

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## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

### FIRST LESSON.....Exodus 34:29-35

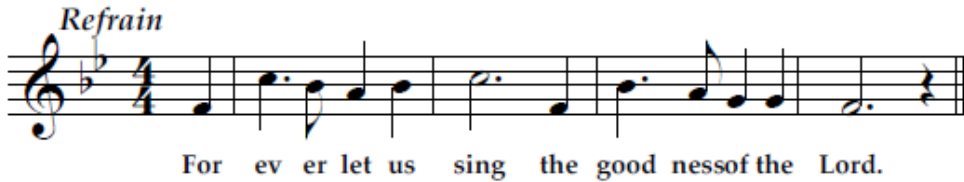
*When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the LORD.<sup>30</sup> When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him.<sup>31</sup> But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them.<sup>32</sup> Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the LORD had given him on Mount Sinai.<sup>33</sup> When Moses finished speaking to them, he put a veil over his face.<sup>34</sup> But whenever he entered the LORD’s presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded,<sup>35</sup> they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the LORD.*

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<sup>4</sup> This greeting has deep roots in Christian worship and marks the beginning of the Word section and the Sacrament section of the service.

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PSALM OF THE DAY.....Psalm 148



**M:** Praise the LORD from the 'heavens, \*  
**C:** **praise him in the 'heights above.**

**M:** Praise him, all his 'angels, \*  
**C:** **praise him, all his 'heav'nly hosts.**

**M:** Praise him, 'sun and moon, \*  
**C:** **praise him, all you 'shining stars.**

***Refrain***

**M:** Praise the LORD 'from the earth, \*  
**C:** **lightning and hail, stormy winds that do his 'bidding,**

**M:** You mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all 'cedars, \*  
**C:** **wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and 'flying birds,**

**M:** Kings of the earth and all ru'lers on earth, \*  
**M:** **young men and maidens, old men and 'children.**

**M:** Let them praise the name 'of the LORD, \*  
**C:** **for his splendor is above the earth and the 'heavens.**

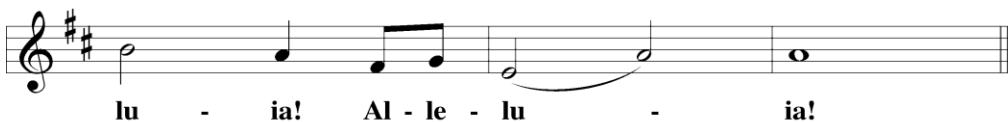
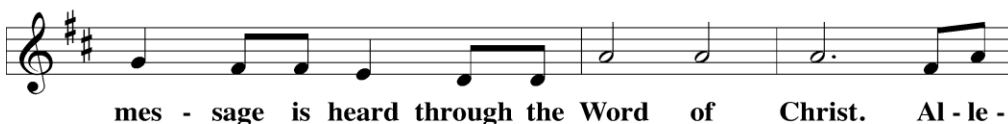
**C:** **Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son \***  
**and to the Holy 'Spirit,**  
**as it was in the be'ginning, \***  
**is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.**

***Refrain***

## SECOND LESSON.....2 Corinthians 4:3-6

*And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing.<sup>4</sup> The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.<sup>5</sup> For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.<sup>6</sup> For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.*

### VERSE OF THE DAY



STAND<sup>5</sup>

### GOSPEL

**M:** The Gospel according to Luke, chapter 9.

**C:** Glory be to you, O Lord.

*About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray.<sup>29</sup> As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his*

<sup>5</sup> The worshipers stand and speak words of acclamation out of respect for the words of Christ, our King.



*clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.<sup>30</sup> Two men, Moses and Elijah,<sup>31</sup> appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem.<sup>32</sup> Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.<sup>33</sup> As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters-- one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)<sup>34</sup> While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud.<sup>35</sup> A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him."<sup>36</sup> When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves, and told no one at that time what they had seen.*

**M:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**C:** Praise be to you, O Christ.

*BE SEATED*

**HYMN OF THE DAY.....Jesus Take Us to the Mountain (CW #712)**  
**SERMON ON LUKE 9:28-36: "Gaze at His Glory"**

*STAND*

**NICENE CREED<sup>6</sup>**

**C:** We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

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<sup>6</sup> Public confession is faith’s response to God’s saving Word. The Nicene Creed was composed in the 4<sup>th</sup> century to defend the Bible’s teachings that both Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are true God, equal to the Father in one eternal, undivided Trinity.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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## PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

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### OFFERING

*The members of Cross of Glory are happy to support its ministry with their financial gifts. If you are visiting us today, do not feel obligated to give an offering.*

*STAND*

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- M:** We praise you, O Father, for the precious gift of your Son and for his glorious transfiguration on the holy mountain.
- C:** **Give us the firm resolve to listen to your Son, the eager readiness to believe his promises, and the joyful willingness to heed his commandments.**
- M:** By the sign of Moses and Elijah, show us that blessed are the dead who die in faith,
- C:** **for they shall know the power of Christ's resurrection and "shall be changed from glory into glory."**
- M:** O God and Father, let your Holy Spirit find a dwelling in our poor bodies and transform our weak, sinful lives into the radiance of goodness, purity and righteousness.
- C:** **Transform our minds, our understanding, our judgments, yes our whole persons to reflect the mind of Christ.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

**M:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

**M:** Hear our prayer, and by your mercy grant our petitions for Christ's sake.

**C:** **Amen.**

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# THE SACRAMENT

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## THE PREFACE<sup>7</sup>

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** **And also with you.**

**M:** Lift up your hearts.

**C:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**M:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

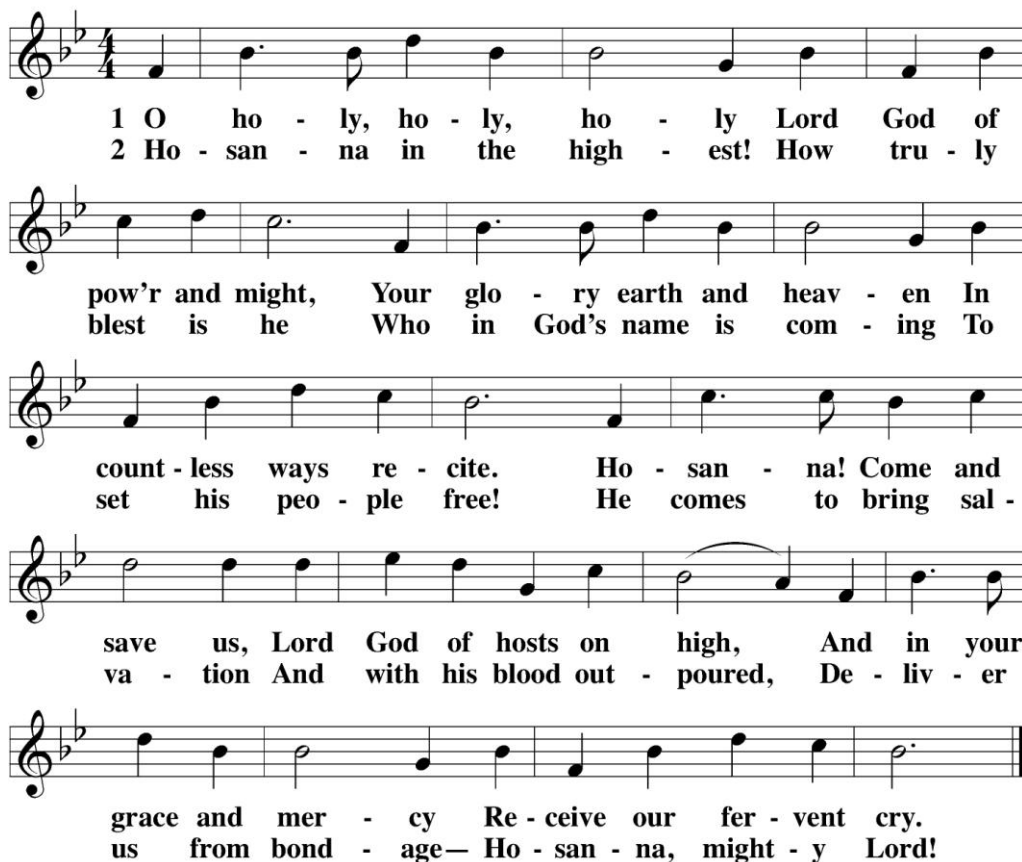
**C:** **It is good and right so to do.**

**M:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who has called us to be his own so that we may live under him in his kingdom and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

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<sup>7</sup> These words mark the beginning of the Sacrament section of worship and lift the worshiper's hearts in praise. The opening sentences are among the oldest in the Christian liturgy.

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (*SANCTUS*)



1 O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of  
2 Ho - san - na in the high - est! How tru - ly

pow'r and might, Your glo - ry earth and heav - en In  
blest is he Who in God's name is com - ing To

count - less ways re - cite. Ho - san - na! Come and  
set his peo - ple free! He comes to bring sal -

save us, Lord God of hosts on high, And in your  
va - tion And with his blood out - poured, De - liv - er

grace and mer - cy Re - ceive our fer - vent cry.  
us from bond - age— Ho - san - na, might - y Lord!

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING<sup>8</sup>

**M:** Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power. Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

**C:** Amen.

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<sup>8</sup> Jesus took bread and *gave thanks*. (Matthew 26:26)

## LORD'S PRAYER

**C:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION<sup>9</sup>

**M:** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C:** Amen.

The musical score is written on four staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "C: Lamb of God, you take a way the sin of the". The second staff continues the melody and lyrics: "world; have mer cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a way the". The third staff changes the key signature to one sharp (F-sharp) and continues: "sin of the world, have mer cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a". The fourth staff changes the key signature to two sharps (D major) and concludes with: "way the\_\_ sin of the\_\_ Grant us your peace. A men." The music features various note values including quarter, eighth, and half notes, with some measures containing rests.

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<sup>9</sup> As he speaks the Words of Institution, the minister both proclaims the words of Jesus to the congregation and sets apart the bread and wine for the Lord's use. The sign of the cross reminds us Christ's death.

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THANKSGIVING

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PRAYER

- M:** We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C:** Amen.

BLESSING<sup>10</sup>

- M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.
- C:** Amen.

CLOSING HYMN.....FAREWELL TO ALLELUIA

*Brothers and sisters in Christ, when we next gather for worship, it will be Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. On that day we will begin our solemn journey to the Savior’s cross. While the joy of faith remains undiminished throughout the year, our rejoicing during Lent is muted and quiet. For centuries, therefore, the Christian churches have omitted their most jubilant songs during this season, including the word “Alleluia,” which means, “Praise the Lord.”*

*Now for a time we say farewell to Alleluia. We do this to prepare ourselves for the quieter days of Lent. The Alleluias will return on Easter dawn, as we gather to shout our praise to the risen Lord.*

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<sup>10</sup> The blessing of Aaron has been spoken over God’s people for over 3,500 years. The LORD said, “So they will put my name on [them], and I will bless them” (Numbers 6:27).

Alleluia, song of triumph, sound of joy that cannot die;  
Alleluia is the anthem ever dear to choirs on high;  
Saints adorned in robes of glory join the great angelic cry.

Alleluia we are singing, voicing hymns in pure accord,  
With Christ's holy Church united, justified, redeemed, restored,  
And with all his faithful people raise our songs to praise the Lord.

Alleluia cannot always be our song while here below;  
Alleluia our transgressions make us for a while forego.  
For the solemn time is coming when our tears for sin must flow.

May our hymns be filled with longing — hear us, Holy Trinity  
As we look to your blest Easter, here, and then eternally,  
When we shall once more be singing Alleluia joyfully!

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **MEASURE OF LOVE**

Last Sunday's Attendance : Worship: ; Communion: .  
Offerings to the Lord: General Fund - \$; Evangelism - \$.

### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Wednesday (2/10):	6:00 p.m.	Soup Supper
	6:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship
Thursday (2/11):	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Saturday (2/13):	6:00 p.m.	Book Club
Sunday (2/14):	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School / Adult Bible Study
	10:30 a.m.	Worship with Communion

### **CROSS OF GLORY BOOK CLUB - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH**



The Cross of Glory Book Club will be having its first meeting of the year at the Hahms' house on Saturday, February 13th starting at 6:00 p.m. We will be discussing the book "Miracle in the Andes" by Nando Parrado. All are welcome. If you plan on attending, please speak with Heather Hahm or email her at [heatherhahm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:heatherhahm@sbcglobal.net).

## **MIDWEEK LENT SERVICES**



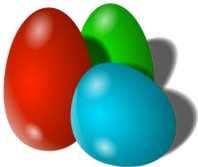
We will begin our midweek Lent evening prayer services on Ash Wednesday, February 10th. We will have a soup supper at 6:00 p.m. and worship will begin at 6:30 p.m. Our theme for our services this year is "*Behold the Lamb.*" Each week we will look at a different Old Testament sacrifice and see its fulfillment in Christ and its meaning for our lives today. These services provide an excellent opportunity for growing in faith and focusing our hearts as we look forward to another joyous Easter celebration.

## **SOUP SUPPER SIGNUP**



There is a signup sheet in the Gathering Room for those who are willing to host one of the soup suppers before our midweek Lent services.

## **EASTER FOR KIDS ~ EGG HUNT - SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH**



We will be holding our Easter for Kids event on Saturday, March 12th at 10:00 a.m. Children are invited to participate in a fun egg hunt at Cross of Glory. We will also have special Easter-themed projects for the children to enjoy. We would love to see as many children from our Cross of Glory extended family and the neighborhood at this event. Please come and join the fun (and bring a friend or two!). There is a signup sheet for those who are willing to donate candy for the eggs as well as volunteer the day of the event.